

RAMS HEAD



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ROMAN'S FORUM

I hope you all enjoyed Christmas and got all the presents & gifts you wished for, if not, better luck next year!

Before Christmas we held our dinner dance at Durker Roods and it was the largest turnout for some years. On the whole it was a very enjoyable evening but I understand some members experienced problems. Christine was aware of them and this was passed onto the staff so that next year we can make it a perfect evening for everyone. Please make sure you have received your dinner dance discount card and start recording your meets from now!

As a club our prime objective is the provision of weekend meets and THS's and there are a number of them that still require stewards. Without stewards we cannot function! As well helping the DA it can be rewarding to you as stewards camp free at all our meets. As a matter of urgency we need a Chief Steward / Booking Officer for York at Easter, obviously same provisions apply but the running of the meet is greatly assisted by DA members and Committee. If you can offer a little of your time by helping the DA in this way, please see John Shedden who has the list. Your help in this would be appreciated.

You will have read in the previous Rams Head that there are a number of vacant committee positions coming up at the next AGM which is only 3 months away. Christine has offered to cover the Treasurer post up until then but I would welcome someone to come forward to take this role, before then if possible. Full tuition on the Clubs methods of recording has been offered by the former Region Treasurer, Mel Hill.

Well, that's my recruitment drive over (on paper at least!), so I'll sign off by wishing everyone a fantastic New Year and hope that 2015 fulfils all your aspirations!

Roman

Nelson's Column

I would just like to take this opportunity to say thank you to all of the members who have submitted anything for the Rams Head this year. Without your contributions, my job would be a lot more difficult. I know it's not easy to find something different to write, if you steward the same meets year on year, but you always seem to come up with something.

The 2015 edition of the "Out & About" will be issued from the New Year's Meet. There are still quite a few meets without stewards and I am sure that John Shedden would be glad for anyone coming forward to help to complete his stewards list.

I hope that all of you have a very happy and prosperous New Year and look forward to seeing you on the camping field in 2015.

If you have anything you would like to include in the next publication, please e-mail me at anne.nelson3@ntlworld.com.

Anne Nelson - Editor

NOTICE OF THE AGM

The 2015 AGM of HUDDERSFIELD DISTRICT ASSOCIATION will take place at 2pm on Saturday 7th March at the Ukrainian Club, Edgerton, Huddersfield.

If there are any Notices of Motion, they must be submitted to Lynda Baldwin, Secretary HDA no later than 1st March 2015.

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Steward's Report: - York Shopping Meet

We arrived on Thursday, with Ann and Tony, Mike and Bernie and Roman ready with wheel and pegs to mark out as many campable pitches as possible. 73 units booked and by 9.00 am Friday morning we were all set for the big rush which never came. We wondered where everyone was, but then someone realized that the flyer (which we didn't have) said the site opened at 12 noon, so the big rush came at 12 noon!!

Big Problem.....there had been an event the week before and the field had been left in a very muddy, ruddy state. Sand had been used to fill the ruts so when motor homes tried to get onto the field they just sank into the sand. It's amazing how many people with motor homes don't come prepared. Whether they are new to camping in muddy fields or thought there would be hard standing, we're not sure. Next year we must put a note on the flyer reminding people to bring wedges and mats. It was difficult trying to squeeze everyone in but by 10 pm only 2 units were still to come.

Saturday morning, the weather was wet and dull but it didn't put off the shoppers. Paul, Tony and I went looking for tarpaulin and rope to cover the shed roof. In the bad weather the felt on the roof had been ripped and the rain had soaked the MDF board.

Saturday evening in the Ebor suite was a bit hectic trying to sell bingo tickets and raffle tickets and collect the dinner dance money all at the same time but with my team of helpers, Margaret, Bernie and Ann even that went off without any hitches. The bingo was very popular with houses of over £25. I think everyone enjoyed it although we didn't have too many dancing to Harold and Jayne's disco. They must have been worn out with all that shopping!

Sunday morning: - a very different day with glorious sunshine. Paul John and Tony were able to do the temporary repair to the shed roof in

very pleasant sunshine. The roof is in need of a permanent job, but they were quite happy with the result.

We had said the site closed at 3.00pm so everyone had gone by then, which meant we got home in daylight. Quite a few of our visitors came to say “thank you” before they left, which was very nice.

A very big “THANKYOU” to Roman, Mike and Bernie, Ann and Tony. Margaret and John, Elaine and Nigel for their help throughout the weekend, and thanks to Rob Nola Chris and Michaela for siting vans on Friday evening, while we had our tea!

Christine and Paul Wood

Through the ages, men have been trying to unlock this mystery : Why do their wives, who accept them just as they are before they get married, begin the quest to change their behaviour and lifestyle once their vows are exchanged? Finally, the riddle is solved.

A social-scientist has arrived at this simple and logical explanation..... When the bride, accompanied by her father, starts to walk slowly down the long aisle, she sees the altar at the end and hears the choir singing a hymn.

Walking down the aisle the conditioning process begins, where the brain absorbs these three stimuli :

Aisle, altar, and hymn.

She becomes mesmerized as she continually reinforces these perceptions :

Aisle, altar, hymn..... Aisle, altar, hymn..... Aisle, altar, hymn.....And finally, as she stops beside the groom, the conditioning process is complete.

She looks up at him smiling sweetly and keeps saying to herself..... I'll alter him!

Submitted by Lynda Baldwin

Celebrations

January Birthdays

14th John Short
15th Doreen Hopkin
19th Paul Wood
20th Margaret Inman
24th Richard Houps
26th Carolyn Armitage
26th Jennifer Ward
27th Elaine Peake
28th John Inman
30th Lynda Baldwin
31st Daniel Inman

January Anniversaries

1st Eileen & Victor Jackson

February Birthdays

5th Joe Patterson
8th Clive Patterson
8th Vickie Shedden
8th Eileen Jackson
11th Maureen Short
12th Helen Patterson
12th Leo Knapper
19th John Ward
20th Nick Shedden
24th Lisa Moodie
27th Robert Baldwin



**PLEASE LET ME KNOW OF ANY CELEBRATIONS BY
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[HDA WEB SITE](http://www.huddersfield-da.co.uk/)

**Don't forget that up to date information about our DA is
Available on the web site**

<http://www.huddersfield-da.co.uk/>

**FORUM section now ready for members to chat and
pass on information.
Why not take a look**

WEB SITE

In order to improve attendance by visitors and members alike, we would like to add photos of the sites at which we camp and their surrounding areas and local places of interest.

If you have any such photos, please send them to Chris Duffy with details of the photographs , at:

duffy0009@gmail.com

May we please remind parents of young children that, when camping with HDA, they are responsible for their children's behaviour, and must supervise them at all times. If we are in a room which is part of a larger building , children must not wander around, but stay in our booked room.

Dogs must be tied up at all times.

*Thank you for your cooperation
The Committee*

**Carbon Monoxide Kills!
NEVER put a BBQ in your
Tent or Awning!**



Carbon monoxide fumes from BBQs are invisible, odourless, and lethal. Even if you think it's safe, and the flames have died down, don't do it. The smouldering coals may be warm, but they may kill you. Even with the tent doors open. Even just in the porch. Please don't do it!

Basic Camping & Caravan Club Rules

1. The steward is a volunteer. Help the steward to help you by observing the rules.
2. All vehicles to be restricted to 5mph on the meet field. Learner drivers are not allowed.
3. Try to restrict movement of vehicles when wet to prevent damage to the field.
4. Please do not allow your children to play ball games, fly kites etc. close to camping units, as damage is easily caused and expensive to repair.
5. It is strongly recommended that all units carry a suitable BSI and/or F.O.C. approved fire extinguisher. Fire buckets should be placed outside the front of the unit at all times.
6. Chemical toilets must not be taken/washed or primed at drinking water points and only emptied at designated elsan disposal points.
7. Motorhome owners should not open waste water tanks until they have left the camping field. Waste water containers should be emptied around the perimeter of the camping field, unless there is a designated waste water point. (DO NOT USE THE ELSAN POINT).
8. All animals should be kept under control and must not be allowed to run loose on the field.
Recommended: length of lead when tethered is a maximum of 2 metres. Animals must be exercised away from the units.
9. Generators are permitted and must be used reasonably. It is expected that generators should not be used for more than 4 hours each day, unless for medical reasons. Generators should not be used between the hours 9pm to 10am.
10. There should be no noise between 11pm and 7am.
11. Each pitch should be left clear of litter at the end of the meet and a careful check made before leaving the field that nothing has been left behind.

GUIDANCE NOTES FOR WEEKEND MEET STEWARDS

Huddersfield DA weekend meets will commence at noon, 12.00h.

Stewards are not expected to arrive at 12.00h as they may have work or other commitments.

The first person to arrive at the meet must act as temporary steward until an Officer of the DA or appointed Steward for the meet arrives.

It is the responsibility of the appointed Stewards to ensure the site is signed.

Appointed Stewards may ask someone who will arrive at the site before them to sign the meet, giving thought to members who may never have been to the site.

Members arriving at 12.00h must recognise that signs may not yet be in place.

Members arriving on the site before the Appointed Steward must be prepared to move their units if requested as areas for Youth, Catering Teams and Marquees may be required.

A space for the Appointed Steward must be left vacant near the entrance to the meet, although the Steward may choose not to camp there.

Members on site (Each Unit) may reserve only **ONE** space for friends/family.

